

Resource Action Identification Form

It is anticipated that potential Resource Actions may be very preliminary at this stage. Please fill out as many sections as possible (understanding that you may not have this information or it may not be available) but, at a minimum, sections 1, 2, and 3. Resource Actions may be refined, reviewed and parked over time through Work Group, Plenary and Settlement discussions.

1. Name of Proposed Resource Action:

- a. Name of proposed Resource Action: Perform data recovery at sites subject to imminent loss.

2. Proposed Resource Action – Please describe and include the following:

- a. Describe the proposed Resource Action in as much detail as practical:

Both prehistoric and historic archaeological sites within the APE have been identified that are being damaged and destroyed from indirect and direct activities related to the Oroville facilities. Many of these sites are likely worthy of nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. In turn, an as yet to be determined number of such sites likely cannot be protected from damaging agents and continued loss. There is also a level of uncertainty in further protection/preservation in applying protective measures such as shielding caps or coatings, ranger patrol, local education, site stewardship and the like. In these cases of imminent, likely loss, a structured, rigid, informed, cooperative approach to data recovery can serve to remove from the site irreplaceable heritage values including artifacts, food remains and, though documentation, various features such as house structures, cooking areas and the like. These values can be studied, curated or repatriated to secure locations. (Note: it is not the intention of this action to remove Indian burials or burial goods unless agreed to by the tribes). Such an approach provides for further understanding of the past from both a scientific and traditional perspective through subsequent publication of results suitable for both the professional and lay communities; provides materials that may be suitable for exhibit and educational purposes; and ameliorates the loss of valuable, non-renewable resources in an area that archaeologists view as poorly understood.

- b. Any physical or operational changes:

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

If Yes, Please explain: _____

- c. Proposed start date and duration

Start (month/yr): _____ Duration (month(s)/yr(s)):

Losses are ongoing so some locations may need immediate attention.

- d. Location (within FERC boundary/outside FERC boundary)

☐ Inside ☐ Outside ☐ Don't know

Locations are primarily along fluctuation line of the reservoir and in areas of heavy recreation use---specifics to be determined by consultants

Please specify possible location(s) referring to the linked map

(<http://orovillerelicensing.water.ca.gov/maps.html>), or providing a map as appropriate: _____

- e. Please provide alternative potential Resource Actions for addressing the same resource goal and/or Project 2100 effects referring to the linked map, or providing a map as appropriate: _____

☐ Unknown

- f. Describe the methods for measuring the goals and performance of the Resource Action or methods for evaluating success against the known resource goal(s): _____

☐ Unknown

- g. Describe the feasibility of the Resource Action:

Trained professionals working as appropriate with the tribes can perform this work. Some site work would depend on lake level fluctuations.

☐ Unknown

- d. Please mark the applicable Working Groups that would be involved in the implementation of this Resource Action:

- ☐ Land Use and Management
☐ Recreation & Socioeconomics
☒ Cultural Resources
☐ Engineering and Operations
☐ Environmental

3. Contact Information for Submitter(s) & Alternate Contact:

- a. Organization name: Cultural Resources Work Group (CRWG)

- b. Preparer's name, phone number and e-mail address: Eric W. Ritter, 530-224-2100, eric_ritter@ca.blm.gov

- c. Secondary contact person, phone number and e-mail address: Adrian Smith

- d. Date prepared: 8/19/03

- e. Organization(s) represented by submitter: Bureau of Land Management

Please fill out the following questions to the best of your ability, understanding that you may not have this information or it may not be available.

4. Resource Goals:

- a. Identify and describe the resource goal the Resource Action is related to, providing reference to the resource goal number(s) described, as appropriate: _____

☐ Unknown

- b. Explanation of how the Resource Action furthers that goal: _____

☐ Unknown

5. Identify the Resource Issue/Relationship to Project and Relicensing

- a. Describe the issue the Resource Action is intended to address, referring as appropriate to Issue Statement(s) number(s):

☐ Unknown

- b. Describe the relationship between the Resource Action and the project, including any project impacts the Resource Action is intended to address:

☐ Unknown

- c. Identify any comprehensive plans that this Resource Action is related to:

☐ Unknown